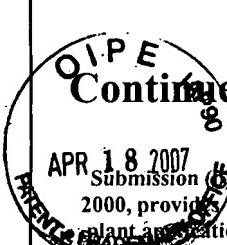


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# Request For Continued Examination (RCE) Transmittal

**APR 18 2007** Submission of 35 U.S.C. § 132, effective on May 29, 2000, provides for continued examination of an utility or plant application filed on or after June 8, 1995. See The American Inventors Protection Action of 1999 (AIPA).

Application Number	10/788,863
Filing Date	February 27, 2004
First Named Inventor	Joseph H. Sassine
Group Art Unit	2627
Examiner Name	Julie Anne Watko
Attorney Docket No.	I69.12-0600

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This is a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 of the above-identified application.

Note: 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 is effective on May 29, 2000. If the above-identified application was filed prior to May 29, 2000, applicant may wish to consider filing a continued prosecution application (CPA) under 37 C.F.R. § 1.53(d) (PTO/SB/29) instead of a RCE to be eligible for the patent term adjustment provisions of the AIPA. See Changes of Application Examination and Provisional Application Practice, Interim Rule, 65 Fed. Reg. 14865 (Mar. 20, 2000), 1233 Off. Gaz. Pat. Office 47 (Apr. 11, 2000), which established RCE practice.

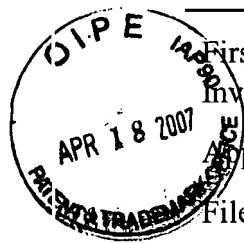
1. Submission required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114
  - a.  Previously submitted
    - i.  Consider the amendment(s)/reply under 37 C.F.R. § 1.116 previously filed on March 9, 2007 (Any unentered amendment(s) referred to above will be entered).
    - ii.  Consider the arguments in the Appeal Brief or Reply Brief previously filed on
    - iii.  Other
  - b.  Enclosed
    - i.  Amendment/Reply
    - ii.  Affidavit(s)/Declaration(s)
    - iii.  Information Disclosure Statement (IDS)
    - iv.  Other
2. Miscellaneous
  - a. Suspension of action on the above-identified application is requested under 37 C.F.R. § 1.103(c) for a period of \_\_\_\_\_ months. (Period of suspension shall not exceed 3 months; Fee under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(i) required)
  - b.  Other \_\_\_\_\_
3. Fees (The RCE fee under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(e) is required by 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 when the RCE is filed)
  - a.  The Director is hereby authorized to charge the following fees, or credit any overpayments, to Deposit Account No. 11-0982.
    - i.  RCE fee required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(e)
    - ii.  Extension of time fee (37 C.F.R. §§ 1.136 and 1.17)
    - iii.  Other \_\_\_\_\_
  - b.  Check in the amount of \$ 790.00 enclosed

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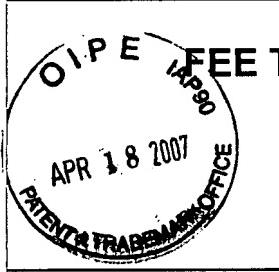
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## FEE CALCULATION

### 1. BASIC FILING FEE

Appn. Type PD.	FILING FEE		SEARCH FEES		EXAM FEES	
	Fee	Small Entity	Fee	Small Entity	Fee	Small Entity
Utility	300 / 150	500 / 250	200 / 100	—	—	—
Design	200 / 100	100 / 50	130 / 65	—	—	—
Reissue	300 / 150	500 / 250	600 / 300	—	—	—
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### 2. EXTRA CLAIM FEES

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Multiple Dependent Claims

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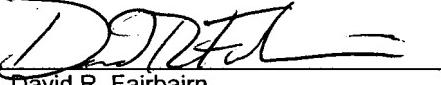
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1204	200	2204	100	Reissue Independent Claims Over Original Patent
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### 3. APPLICATION SIZE FEE

If the specification and drawings exceed 100 sheets of paper, the application size fee due is \$250 (\$125 small) for each additional 50 sheets or fraction thereof. See 35 U.S.C. 41(a)(1)(G) and 37 C.F.R. 1.16(s). \$0.00

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FEE CALCULATION (Continued)				
<b>3. ADDITIONAL FEES</b>				
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1051	130	2051	65	Surcharge - Late filing fee or oath
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1053	130	1053	130	Non-English specification
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1251	120	2251	60	Extension for reply within first month
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1460	130	1460	130	Petitions to the Commissioner
1807	50	1807	50	Petitions related to provisional applications
1806	180	1806	180	Submission of Information Disclosure Statement
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1801	790	2801	395	Request for Continued Examination (RCE)
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